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1. ALTHOUGH THE USSR IMPOSES NEITHER EXPORT CONTROLS NOR EXPORT TAXES IN THE SENSE THAT THESE ARE ENCOUNTERED IN MARKET ECONOMIES, SOVIET INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS CONSTITUTE A MONOPOLY OF THE STATE (REF B). SOME SCHEDULED SOVIET DELIVERIES OF PETROLEUM TO WESTERN EUROPEAN PRUCHASERS HAVE BEEN DELAYED IN RECENT MONTHS (REFS C, D, E) BUT EMBASSY'S VIEW IS THAT THESE LAGS RESULT RATHER FROM DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND TRANSMISSION PROBLEMS THAN FROM POLITICAL DECISION TO REDUCE OIL FLOW.

2. USSR REMAINS NET EXPORTER OF PETROLEUM. PUBLISHED 1972 TRADE STATISTICS (LAST PERIOD FOR WHICH DATA AVAILABLE) INDICATE CRUDE AS REPRESENTING 8.6 PERCENT OF TOTAL SOVIET EXPORTS, WHILE ALL TYPES OF REFINED OIL ACCOUNT FOR FURTHER 4.4 PERCENT. EXPORTS CRUDE 1972 WERE 76.2 MILLION METRIC TONS VALUED AT 1.1 BILLION RUBLES. EXPORTS REFINED PRODUCTS 1972 WERE 30.8 MILLION METRIC TONS VALUED AT 566 MILLION RUBLES.

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3. CURRENT ESTIMATES FROM NATO AND EASTERN EUROPEAN
EMBASSY SOURCES MOSCOW INDICATE SOVIETS CURRENTLY CONTRACTED
DELIVERY ABOUT 110 METRIC TONS OIL TO EUROPEAN CLIENTS,
60-65 METRIC TONS TO SOCIALIST BLOC AND 47 METRIC TONS
TO WESTERN EUROPE. QUANTITIES BELIEVED SIMILAR TO THOSE SOLD
IN 1972 (8.4 MILLION MT TO ITALY, 8.6 MILLION MT TO FINLAND
6.1 MILLION MT TO FRG, 3 MILLION MT TO FRANCE, 2.5 MILLION
MT TO BELGIUM, 2.4 MILLION MT TO NETHERLANDS, 4.4 MILLION MT
TO SWEDEN). PORTION OF THESE DELIVERIES IS REPAYMENT FOR
CONSTRUCTION PIPELINE. BARTER AND OTHER TYPES OF TRANSACTION
ARE ALSO REPRESENTED DEPENDING ON TERMS OF SPECIFIC BILATERAL
AGREEMENTS BETWEEN SOVIETS AND TRADING PARTNERS.
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